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T. H. WHITEHEAD,
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Hongkong, 19th October, 1896. [53]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
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Authorised Capital \$1,000,000
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HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors—
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Chan Kit Shan, Esq. [54]

Chief Manager,
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Hongkong, 22nd October, 1896. [54]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND \$5,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

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T. JACKSON,
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Hongkong, 8th October, 1896. [52]

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INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3% per cent. per annum.

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
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Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [53]

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With the Utmost Success.

Thoroughly reliable preservative for Wood and Stone against White Ants, Decay, Fungus Rot and Dampness.

Sole Agents for China,
SCHEELE & CO.,
Hongkong, 15th May, 1896. [54]

Intimations.

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A Working Stationary Engine and a Launch with a 4 H.P.

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FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervision of approved French Chef has no equal. ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT.

Experienced English matron in attendance.

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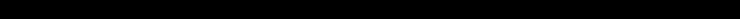
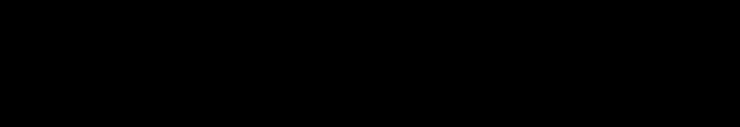
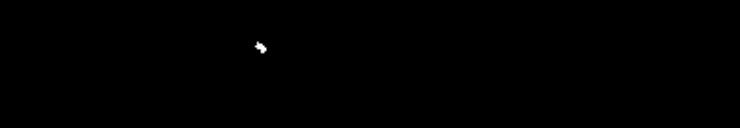
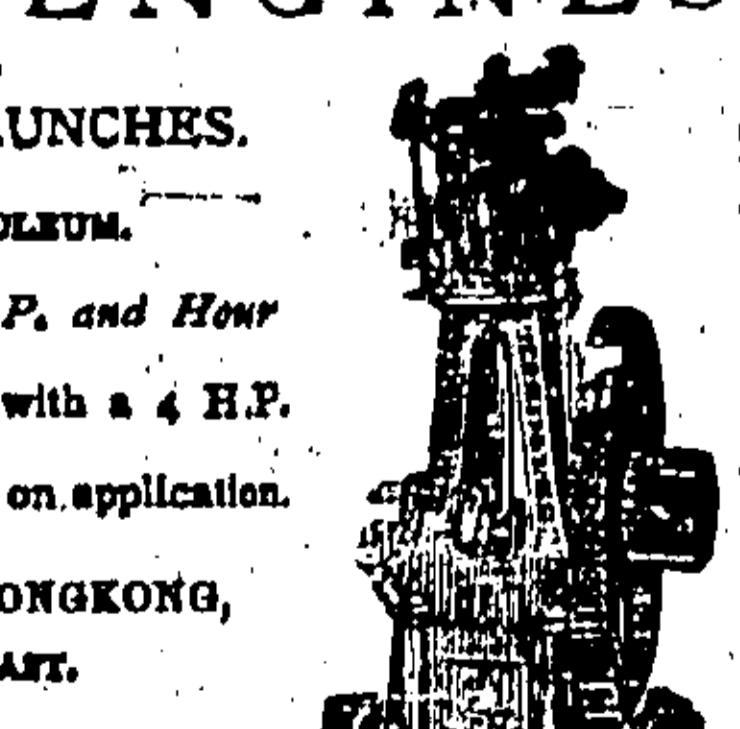
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Intimation.

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TAILORS,

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Have an entirely NEW STOCK of WOOLLENS to suit the Present and Coming Season,
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FANCY SUITINGS, DRESS, FROCK and MORNING COAT SUITINGS, ULSTER and
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FANCY VESTINGS, TATTERSALS and others.

Hongkong, 21st October, 1896. [1625]

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Advertisements.

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Lieut.-Colonel C. H. B. NORCOTT,
COMMANDING;
and
Under the Distinguished Patronage of
H. E. Sir WILLIAM ROBINSON, K.C.M.G.,
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FRIDAY, 5th TURDAY and MONDAY,
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OVERTURE at 9 P.M. Punctually.

Prices, 3s. 6d and 5s.
(Soldiers and Sailors half-price to 3s. Seats).

BOX OFFICE at Messrs. W. ROBINSON &
Co.'s Piano and Music Rooms.

A Special Train will leave for the PEAK
fifteen minutes after the fall of the Curtain.
Hongkong, 16th October, 1896. [1626]

NOTICE.

NOTICE has been received that the
ANNUAL PERAMBULATION of the
WAR DEPARTMENT BOUNDARIES will
take place on FRIDAY, the 30th, and SATUR-
DAY, the 31st instant, and that in consequence
thereof all the ROADS within the CANTONMENTS
will be CLOSED to the PUBLIC, from 6 A.M.
on the 30th to 6 A.M. on the 31st October.

By Order,
F. H. MAY,
Captain Superintendent of Police:
Hongkong, 16th October, 1896. [1628]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 394.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of
Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction,
to be held on the spot on
MONDAY,
the 2nd day of November, 1896, at 3 P.M., are
published for general information.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonel-Secretary,
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 17th October, 1896. [1645]

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by
Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the
2nd day of November, 1896, at 3 P.M., by Order
of His Excellency the Governor, of Two Lots of
CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong,
for a term of 999 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

No. of Lot.	Registration No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
Inland Lot No.			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
1,130 S. of Kennedy Road...			161	173	181	160	30,800	450	4,600
1,131 Do...			154	178	183	161	34,150	450	5,618

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 395.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of
Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction,
to be held on the spot on
MONDAY,
the 2nd day of November, 1896, at 4 P.M., are
published for general information.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary,
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 17th October, 1896. [1646]

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by
Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the
2nd day of November, 1896, at 4 P.M., by Order
of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of
CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong,
for a term of 999 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot.	Registration No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
Mine Lot No.	1,130	Area of West of Building, Ho-Wan	67' 0"	57	98' 8"	9' 6"	4,473	150	1,128

ZETLAND LODGE,
No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in the FREEMASON'S
HALL, Zetland Street, on MONDAY, the 2nd
November, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting
Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1896. [1647]

Intimations.

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORITY of the ITALIAN
CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most
respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of
Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind
patronage and support, and desire to state that
she will be pleased to receive orders for all
kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs
and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies' and Children's Under-clothing,
Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery,
Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superficiess will also be most grateful for
any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made into
Books for the Children of the Poor Schools, who
are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1892. [403]

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SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House,
bought direct at first hand, imported in wood
and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all inter-
mediate profits, and enabling us to supply the
best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on
Application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month
before use. When required for drinking at
once it should be ordered to be decanted at
the DISPENSARY before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner
Wines of very superior Vintages. All are
true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.—Our Clarets, including the lowest
Priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine
product of the juice of the grape and are not
artificially made from raisins and currants,
as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be
pure COGNAC, the difference in price being
merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKEY.—All our Whiskey is of excellent
quality and of greater age than most brands
in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKEY
marked "E" is universally popular, and is
pronounced by the best local connoisseurs
to be superior to any other brand in the
Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our WINES and SPIRITS
to be genuine when bought direct from us in the
Colony, or from our authorised Agents at the
Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1896.

BIRTHS.

On the 9th instant at the College, Newchwang,
the wife of J. N. SYKES, I.M.C. Customs, of a son.

At Tientsin, on the 10th instant, the wife of J.
Iver M. DRUMMOND, Imperial Maritime Customs,
of a son.

At Shamrock Lodge, Tientsin, on the 14th
instant, the wife of A. IRWIN, F.R.C.S., of a son.

At Clarence House, No. 5, Nanking Road,
Shanghai, on the 10th instant, the wife of JOHN
CHRISTIE, of a son.

At No. 8, Qiaonan Road, Shanghai, on the
10th instant, the wife of FREDERICK RAYHAN,
of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

On the 17th instant, at the Cathedral of the
Good Shepherd, Singapore, WILLIAM
ROBERT ROWLAND, managing partner on
Berthelot Ting Estate, Negri Sembilan, eldest
son of W.C.R. ROWLAND, Esq. of Vienna,
Austria, to Miss MARIA HENCKEL, third
daughter of the late Brigadier-Colonel Adolf
Hengseler of Landquart, Graubunden, Switzer-
land.

On the 19th Sept., at St. John the Evangelist,
Upper St. Leonards-on-Sea, England, the
Rev. Canon Jones, Rector, Cleric, Cecil
Clarke, of Cambridge, Mass., U.S.A., Deputy
Commissioner Colombo Imperial Maritime Customs
Service, to Edith Marion, third daughter of
the late Dr. Andrew James Scott, Madras Medical
Service, and Mrs. Scott, of St. Leonards-on-
Sea.

On the 17th Sept., at St. James's Church,
Paddington, Oliver George Ready, of the Chinese
Imperial Maritime Customs, son of the Rev.
Henry Ready, rector of Great Warham, Norfolk,
to Isabel, elder daughter of Henry Janson, of 24,
Westbourne Terrace, Hyde Park, London.

On the 10th inst., at Bath, England, Robert
E. Burnet Yell, M.D., of Moreton-in-Marsh,
Glos., to Winifred Ellen (Frieda), elder daughter
of the late Zachary Brooks Drage, of Shanghai.

DEATHS.

At Jinjou, Manchuria, on the 4th instant,
AUGUST, beloved child of T. L. BRADSHAW, M.B.
C.M., Edin., aged 6 months.

At the Peak Hospital, on the 10th instant,
PETER FOSTER, late of Chinese Imperial Mar-
itime Customs, aged 41 years.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1895. [1625]

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HONGKONG, MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1896.

TELEGRAMS.

(Special to Hongkong Telegraph.)

SHENG TAOTAI.

CANTON, October 26th.

An Imperial Edict was issued at Peking on
the 24th instant. It states:—

"We hereby relieve Sheng Shuen-hwan from
completing his term of office in the Tientsin
Customs Tariffship, and bestow upon him the
fourth rank of King-tong, to await appointment.
We further appoint him to be the Director-General
of the Head Bureau of the Railway Con-
struction Department. Respect this."

[King-tong] are officials entitled for such
posts as President and vice-president of the
different boards.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

EXTRAORDINARY ARREST IN LONDON.

LONDON, October 23rd.

A sensation has been caused in London by
a Chinese doctor, called Sun Yat-yeo, who, it
is stated, has been concerned in a conspiracy in
Canton to overthrow the dynasty.

It appears that he has been imprisoned since
the 11th instant in the Chinese Legation in
London.

It is reported that he was inveigled thither by
the Chinese and that he has managed to
secretly inform his friends of his detention.

Detectives are watching the Legation day and
night to prevent his clandestine removal to
China.

LATER.
Lord Salisbury, in a sharp note, demanded the
immediate release of Dr. Sun Yat-yeo, whose
real name is Sun Wen. In the afternoon an official of
the Chinese Legation handed Dr. Sun Wen over to the Foreign Office, reserving
the question of diplomatic rights.

The conspiracy referred to by Reuter was fully
reported in the *Hongkong Telegraph* of 28th
October, 1895, and subsequent dates. It
consisted of a gang of about 600 coolies
who were engaged here and started for
Canton by the *Rowan*. Most of them
refused to carry arms, and on arrival
at Canton several of the coolies (who were
said to be under the command of a
student of the Hongkong College of Medicine
for Chinese named Soon Yat-sun, and one
named Kuy-wun) were arrested and headed.
"Doctor" Soon and Mr. Yeung have not since
been seen at their usual haunts. The Viceroy
of Canton offered a reward of \$5,000 for
information resulting in the arrest of either or
both of the alleged leaders.]

A NAVAL correspondent writes to the *Globe*:—
A good deal has been written about the spread
of disease among British troops in India; and
the Portsmouth correspondent of the *Naval and
Military Record* has been drawing attention to
the same unsavoury subject in the Navy. He
writes in forcible language, that we are grateful
to Parliament for voting us ships, but it also
votes money for the maladministration of Haslar
Hospital, and by the abrogation of certain laws it
crowds the place to suffocation.

Li Hung-chang and Russia. This enormous preponderance of Russian warships in the Pacific can only be meant for important operations, and is viewed with great anxiety and suspicion by Japan. The British fleet is nowhere in face of the Russian increase. China is rapidly repairing the dock and workshops at Port Arthur, and storing vast quantities of coal. The work is supervised by Russian engineers who arrive and depart through Manchuria, with the obvious consent of the Chinese. Meanwhile China has no ships to use the coal, and it is not long before Vladivostok will be frozen safe against a seaward attack. There is no doubt that these movements represent a startling development in Russian policy.

Navy and Military.

The Japanese Naval Commission, which has come over to this country, has received tenders from five of the leading shipbuilding firms of the kingdom for the construction of a battleship. The firms were—Sir William Armstrong, Mitchell, and Co.; Messrs. J. and G. Thomson (Limited), Clydebank; the Thames Ironworks and Shipbuilding Company; Messrs. Laird of Birkenhead, and the Palmer Shipbuilding Company of Jarrow. The builders were requested to submit competitive designs, the stipulation by the Japanese naval authorities being that the battleship was to be about the size and power of the *Monarch* class, which has a displacement of 14,000 tons. As in her case, the armour is to be of Harveyised steel, the whole broadside being covered with plates of a uniform thickness, instead of having a main armoured belt of 16 or 18 inches thickness, with four inches armour above this to the main deck as in the two battleships now being built for Japan at Klawock and the Thames Ironworks respectively. It is also indicated that Belleville water-tube boilers may be supplied, and the speed is to be 18 knots at sea. The armament is to be the same as in the *Monarch* class, special attention being paid to quick-firing guns and their protection.

The Admiralty have given instructions for preparations to be made at Sheerness Dockyard for commencing the construction of a new third-class cruiser, which is to be laid down on the slip as soon as the *Prosperous* is launched. The new vessel has been designed by Sir W. H. White, K.C.B., Director of Naval Construction, and is to receive the name of *Pomona*. She is to be built of steel, and will have a length of 300ft., a breadth of 36ft., a mean load draught of 13ft. 6in., and a displacement of 2,150 tons. The *Pomona* will be unarmed, but will be fitted with a steel deck, running the entire length of the vessel, with a maximum thickness of 1in. over the engine and boiler rooms. The engines will be arranged in two compartments, and are intended to indicate 7,000hp. as power under forced draught, with an estimated speed of 20 knots per hour, and 5,000-horse power under natural draught, with a speed of 18 knots per hour. Steam will be supplied from eight water-tube boilers—four in each boiler-room. The armament of the *Pomona* will consist of eight 4in. quick-firing guns, two of which will be carried on the poop, two on the forecastle, and four at the broadside; eight 3-pounder Hotchkiss quick-firing guns, which will be similarly disposed of, with the exception that they will be carried under the poop and forecastle; two 45in. Maxim guns, and two 12in. torpedo tubes. The *Pomona* will have a coal-carrying capacity of 550 tons.

The Royal Artillery is about to be reorganized in two regiments instead of one. The horse and field batteries will form the first regiment, and the garrison artillery and mountain batteries the second. The change will be all in favour of the garrison batteries.

The new battleship *Prince George*, having concluded her trials, all of which have been very satisfactory, returned to Portsmouth Harbour on 19th inst., and was taken into the repairing basin, where she will be prepared as speedily as possible for commission.

According to Dalsel's Madrid correspondent, the commission appointed to examine the tenders of English firms for the construction of men-of-war for the Spanish Government has reported in favour of Messrs. Armstrong, Mitchell, and Co. (Limited), of Newcastle-on-Tyne, who undertake to build a battleship of 12,000 tons in fourteen months for £600,000, and a cruiser of 6,500 tons in twelve months, with a speed of 14 knots, for £600,000.

The Admiralty intend further strengthening the Channel Squadron by commissioning the new first-class battleship *Victorious*, which has recently completed a successful series of steam and gunnery trials in the North Sea, for service in place of the first-class battleship *Revenge*.

The Minister of Marine has given orders to fit out the *Colbert*, *Durandal*, *Trident*, *Vauban*, *Indomptable*, and *Formidable*, all at Toulon. These vessels were set aside by the late Minister, but it is believed that they will be serviceable as guardships. Orders to refit several other vessels have been sent to Brest.

LATEST NEWS FROM THE NORTH.

Shanghai, October 19th.

The Committee of the Chamber of Commerce meet this morning to receive Mr. Dodgeon's report on his mission to Peking.

October 20th.

Messrs. R. Telle & Co. have contracted with the Tsungli Yam-ta for four torpedo-boats to be built by F. Schichau, of Elbing.

The Tsungli Yam-ta signed with Mr. J. J. Burchester on Saturday last a contract for two cruisers to be built at Sir Wm. Armstrong's works at Elswick. These vessels were set aside by the late Minister, but it is believed that they will be serviceable as guardships. Orders to refit several other vessels have been sent to Brest.

It is rumoured in native official circles here that H.E. Kung Chao-yuan, at present Minister to Great Britain, sent by the last French mission to the Throne, is asking to be allowed to resign his post owing to his inability to bear the climate of London, in consequence of which he has been repeatedly ill during the last two years of his office. H.E. has been three years Minister, and, as his term has already expired, the chances are that his request will be granted, unless the Emperor wishes him to take a second term.

It is reported from Tientsin that the Viceroy Wang Wen-shao has recommended to the Throne that Shen Ning-hui, the Shanghai manager of the China Merchants' Co., be appointed to the Customary Tantship of Tientsin *o/s* Sheng Taotsi appointed General Director of the Peking-Hankow Railway and the Hanyang Iron-works, and member of the Ministry of Commerce, which there is some talk in Peking of establishing as an adjunct of the Tsungli Yam-ta.

MR. DODGEON'S MISSION.

With reference to Mr. Dodgeon's mission to Peking, we are officially informed that though in the opinion of the Ministers generally the appointment by them of a Commissioner is not practicable, they have expressed a very unanimous opinion in favour of the formation of a special Mercantile Committee in Shanghai to report upon present taxation and its incidence and to

THE BENNETTZ DIFFICULTY.

[*North China Daily News*, October 19th.]

make such recommendations as to increase or reduce thereof, and of the conditions under which amendments would be acceptable to foreign trade, whilst beneficial and equitable to China. The formal reply from the U.S. Minister to the Chamber of Commerce, of 17th September, is not yet to hand, but may be expected in a few days, and the composition of the Committee is under consideration, but we are glad to say Mr. Dodgeon has consented to act as Chairman.—*N. C. Daily News*.

LONDON LETTER.

(From our own Correspondent.)

LONDON, September 25th.

Pray do not expect a cheerful letter to-day; the time of day is 3 p.m. and I am writing by the gaslight. The rain has descended in sheets for 24 hours—a "nice" change to the fitful storm and showers we have had for weeks past. Holiday workers are returning to town disgusted with the weather and wowing they will never go back to such and such a place again. But no spot in these islands or in Western Europe has been different, and perhaps that's the reason, against the holiday spot selected, will abate in consequence. Not at Balmoral even can "Queen's weather" be commanded to help to grace the visit of the Tsar. When he "smells" sweet Edinbrough, the Scotch skies lowered, but the rain descending in buckets did not cause the people to keep at home or lessen their enthusiasm. The sphinx-like Tzar has preserved throughout his journeying in keeping with a Russian ruler. Neither the effusive frothings of the Kaiser nor the brotherly love shown by the Austrian ruler and people have succeeded in "drawing" him, and unless he "loses his head" in France he will go home with the reputation of a wise man. If ever silence was golden it is so in the case of one who is over head and ears involved in the entanglements of diplomacy.

The position of affairs in what we call the East here—Turkey—is anomalous and perplexing, and the attitude of affairs will not change until the Tzar is once more within his own frontiers. From that date we will see an activity in Eastern affairs, the outcome of which no man can tell. Russia seems to have but one power in the way of doing as she pleases, viz., Great Britain; and to put the position in the words used by Makhan in describing Britain's position in regard to the all-conquering Napoleon I, "All Europe was at his feet, except one, Power, which still remained erect, defiant, and unsubdued." Such, diplomatically, is the position of Russia in European affairs to-day. The Austria greets her as her saviour and friend, Germany courts her, and France shouts "Vive L'Empereur!" as enthusiastically as she did when the little Corporal claimed the allegiance and submission of her people. The Tatar horde, which is to overrun the East of Europe, manages much by diplomacy that used to be settled by the sword in centuries gone by, and none the less successfully. The Russian Cossacks know his power and it is not necessary for the Tzar to bluster. It reminds one of the story of the American lady who started on her travels round the world. She booked her passage by an "Empress" boat and apparently studied carefully the persons she met on her journey to Hongkong. In that short time, however, she had come to a conclusion which may be regarded as quite classical. After studying carefully the Englishmen whom she met, she framed this generalization—that the American thinks he is the first man in the world, but the Englishman knows he is. The well known imperious bearing of the Englishman when travelling is associated with the idea of innate supremacy, hence his silence. In such a manner do the frothings of European kings and statesmen seem to be taken by the omnipotent Tzar. Dongola has fallen and we are all enthusiastic over the smartness of the naval and military operations, and the "savvy" of the Sirdar. The success is telling to our continental neighbours and the jealousies and isolation of Britain was never more complete.

I see in your columns you are not an admirer of our Foreign Minister. Your opinion is at variance with that of our American cousins, who hold that there is only one statesman in Europe—Salisbury. Every one can make mistakes, but we have not; in fact we have only been forced to see what is the goal of the line of diplomacy he has initiated.

The College of Medicine seems to have got a "set back" judging by Mr. Belliss' letter, and we are patiently waiting to see if Hongkong is endowed with any imperial ambition, or to allow other places and other people to take up the work which is peculiarly its own. The Government have evidently taken a wider grasp of things, and fostered the importance of the movement. Mr. Belliss is not to be blamed for his steps for he has been long-suffering and forbearing; and after the finding of the dissidents from the report of the Committee are on sympathetic with him. The dissidents are at variance on several points with the modern opinion at home. In regard to examinations and examinations I see in the Standard, of to-day's date, that no less an authority than Sir Joseph Lister in his speech at the banquet of the British Association at Liverpool expressed himself—"I am exceedingly pleased to find in Liverpool there is what in London we are still striving after—a teaching university—having not only men of high eminence as professors who took part, although not an undue part—in the examination of its own pupils. Considering the complexity of subjects, it was surely unjust to the students to be taken before examiners strangers to the course he had gone through, who in a few minutes had to decide whether he was a creditable student or a slagger." This sentiment is in direct antagonism to the course of examination advocated by the dissidents in the Committee and is in point of fact the plan followed by all bodies outside London where no teaching university exists.

Further, the exception taken to granting the Licentiates of the College registration, upon an equal footing with British practitioners, is still one. From what I remember of the discussion on the matter, such a step was never contemplated. I may be wrong in my surmise, but it would seem that Mr. Belliss was deliberately insulted in the course of examination advocated by the dissidents in the Committee and is in point of fact the plan followed by all bodies outside London where no teaching university exists. The Licentiates of the College registration, upon an equal footing with British practitioners, is still one. From what I remember of the discussion on the matter, such a step was never contemplated. I may be wrong in my surmise, but it would seem that Mr. Belliss was deliberately insulted in the course of examination advocated by the dissidents in the Committee and is in point of fact the plan followed by all bodies outside London where no teaching university exists. 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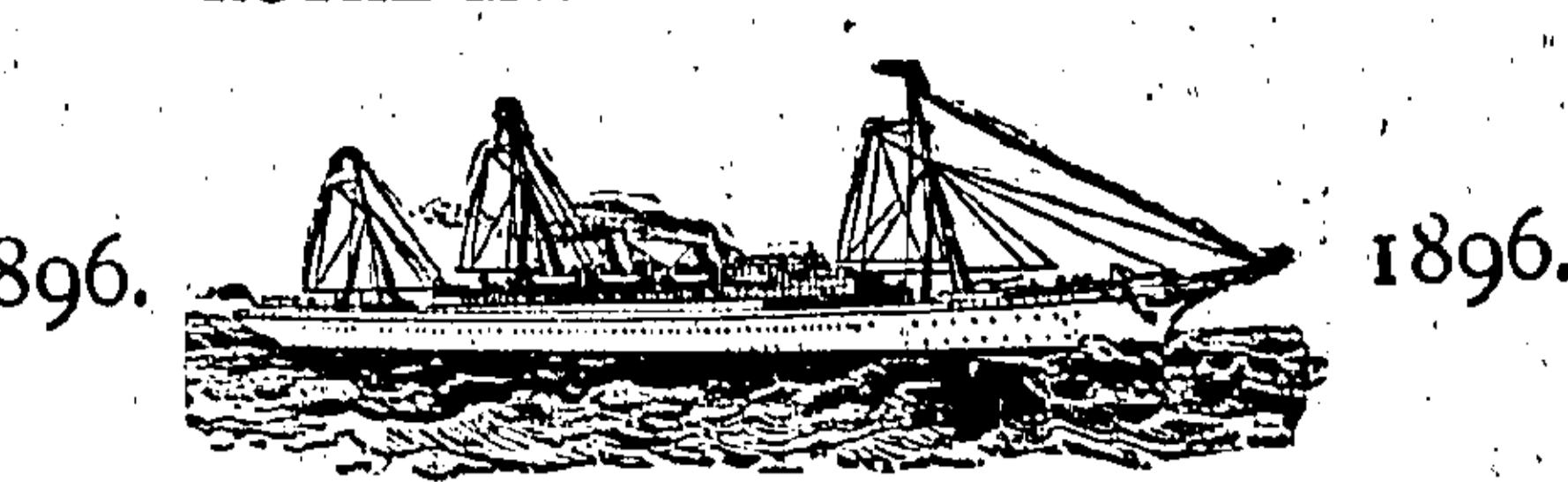
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Preussen | Tuesday | 10th Nov.
Sachsen | Tuesday | 8th Dec.
Bayern | Tuesday | 1st Jan.
Prinz Heinrich | Tuesday | 2nd Feb.
Preussen | Tuesday | 1st March.

ON TUESDAY, the 10th day of November, 1896, at 4 P.M., the Company's Steamship "PREUSSEN," Capt. P. Weitlin, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on SATURDAY, the 7th Nov. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until NOON on MONDAY, the 9th Nov. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than £2 50 and Parcels should not exceed Two West Cubic in Measurement.

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Braemar | 3.60 | Tuesday | 1 Nov.
Tasoma | 2.54 | Tuesday | 1 Dec. 8.
Victoria | 3.67 | Tuesday | 1 Dec. 29.
Olympia | 2.63 | Tuesday | 1 Jan. 19.
Braemar | 3.60 | Tuesday | 1 Feb. 9.

THE Steamship

"BRAEMAR."

Captain E. Porter, sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 17th November, will proceed to VICTORIA (B.C.) and TACOMA (Wash.), via SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

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Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.

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